### WITHIN THE WEEK

The AFofL proposal of a physical merger with CIO may be termed as a piece of political strategy. In a sense, it is a reply to an earlier CIO proposal that the two groups present a unified front on the issue of pending labor bills.

There is no practical chance of physical merger, and both groups are fully aware of this. There are fundamental differences which cannot be lightly swept aside. The chasm between the two factions on portal pay may be cited as a single example. However, the indications are that a somewhat closer working arrangement will be formulated. This is a practical necessity since labor's dictatorial position, held thru the war yrs, is now seriously challenged.

TEACHER PAY: One of the hottest potatoes now being handled gingerly by the 45 state legislatures now in session is the issue of compensating educators. A number of states, following the lead of N Y, which voted \$32 million for temporary pay raises, have made or will soon make expedient moves to ease the clamor. A number of states, however, are in no position to make outright grants and will have to find other means of raising funds. Indiana, for example, now contributes an average of \$1431 toward the salary of each teacher. There seems little prospect of increasing this bounty and Gov GATES, while recommending an increase in minimum salary for teachers, suggests it be paid by property tax.

PRODUCTION: Something is happening in the production picture which is not yet fully evident to lay observers. Basic mat'ls are coming thru in truly prodigious quantities of manufactured wares.

Steel is a good index. It is now confidently predicted that first-quarter steel production will be the largest in peacetime history. And the magazine, Steel, predicts that with 6 mo's uninterrupted production, the industry can bring supply and demand into approx balance. Mgt is much heartened by extension of agreement with the union.

COAL: Here, again, production is a vital factor. Miners have been turning out record quantities of coal since they ret'd to work. Surpluses are accumulating. peak consuming period will have been passed by Mar 31, the expiration date of the present truce. It probably is not wide of the mark to say that the operators would welcome a suspension of production at that time. This is one of the principal reasons we now believe there will not be another walk-out in coal. Expect, rather, a further extension of the truce, looking toward adjusted wage schedules, etc. Lewis has definitely lost the initiative.



#### HIFTING SANDS

A couple of times in every decade, someone gets a bright idea for modernizing our business correspondence forms. The latest one comes from the Society for Abolishing "Dear" in Business Letters. A dollar bill gets you mbrship and 360 sticker stamps for your letters. Latest in labor rifts centers around question, "Where does the roof of a quonset hut leave off and the side begin?" Two Calif painters' unions are fighting it out.

. . Hiroshima is being considered as possible site for internat'l co-educational univ, sponsored by American churchmen. Advocates point out there's plenty of space there. There should be! . . . American Hotel Ass'n suggests that mbrs use portion of bank checks to carry advertising or public relations message. . . In case you're interested in the current bestsellers, they are now listed, in the order named: The Holy Bible, The Joy of Cooking and

the perennial vol on etiquette authored by Emily Post.





## "HE WHO NEVER QUOTES, IS NEVER QUOTED" Charles Haddon Spurgeon

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ANTHONY L MARESH, pres Lincoln Ass'n of O: "(Today) powerful interests and politicians pick out the men they want and furnish the political machines the means to bring about their election. It was the people who selected and elected Lincoln, not politicians, corp'ns, chambers of commerce or the so-called citizens' leagues which have sprung up in many of the larger cities." 1-Q

Excerpt from report by internat'l committee for the study of European questions (committee includes many outstanding British, French, Belgian, Danish and Dutch leaders): "The Nazi party has recovered from the first shock of Germany's defeat and is quietly reorganizing for a ret'n to power thru capturing control of the demoratic institutions taken up by the Allies."

Bernarr Macfadden, noted physical culturist and publisher, declaring only disease for which he has not been able to find relief is shaking palsy—but has theory (as yet untried): "The cure may be to give them so much work that at night they'll be so tired they can't shake."

3-Q

NICHOLAS CARTER, Hollywood hair stylist, on "Jack the Snipper" (much-publicized mystery man with penchant for sneak-clipping locks of hair from girls riding Washington buses): "He is obviously a man who has broken under the strain of day after day having to work with women who can not make up their minds about the different hair styles."

Justice Rob't H Jackson, of U S Supreme Court: "Russia is not a vast anarchy, but has a system of civil and criminal law as elaborate and as mature as our own." 5-Q

Rt Rev Benjamin D Dagwell, Episcopal bishop of Ore and former dean of St John's Episcopal Cathedral in Denver, on need for planning of re-establishment of schools and hospitals thruout world: "The lives of the older workers were disrupted by the war. We need a new gener-



ation of missionary workers to reestablish and carry forward the work of the church." 6-Q

Rep EVERETT M DIRKSEN, of Ill, declaring \$50 million or twice that am't not too much to spend in quest for cancer cure: "The way to get it done is with the atomic bomb approach. Mobilize the best brains in the world. Get them on the job and when it is done, we can move on to all the other affictions to which mankind is subjected."

Sen Kenneth McKellar, of Tenn, denying accusations of "wanting to use TVA for patronage": "It is a mean thing to accuse a man who has been elected to the Senate 6 times and never expects to run again of a thing like that."

IGOR STRAVINSKY, noted Russianborn conductor-composer, prophesying swing to chamber music in U S because of union "difficulties" in hiring, rehearsing large orchestras: "Forming a good orchestra nowadays is a big job, and it's becoming increasingly difficult to achieve polished performances in the time usually given to rehearsals. In smaller groups there is a better chance for reaching perfection." 9-Q

Sir Malcolm Campbell, world-famous speed king, revealing approaching blindness: "An operation will be necessary . . . but I am hoping it can be delayed until after my record attempt, which I hope to make on Lake Coniston (with new jet-engined speedboat "Bluebird") this summer."

From Federation of Atomic Scientists report: "The atomic bomb

weakens us—because so much of our wealth is concentrated in vulnerable cities . . . even a small country could easily finance bombs to destroy all our cities." 11-Q

MELVIN ROGER LEWIS, Jr, 9, Oakland, Calif, explaining presence in Reno, Nev, after bus driver had turned him over to police: "I'm mad at my folks because they won't take me anywhere and my hobby is traveling. I came here to divorce them." 12-Q

GEO JESSEL, Hollywood producer, in response to an offer to do his life story on film: "Living my life has been enough." 13-Q

Leo Allen, chairman House Patronage Committee, after hearing stories of misbehavior among the House page boys: "Any mbr of the House who wants a young friend appointed page is going to have to assume the responsibility of a foster father if the boy's parents don't live in Washington. Then, if the boy gets into trouble, the foster father is going to be called on the carpet."

DOROTHY SHAVER, pres Lord & Taylor, N Y dep't store: "I'd give up my job if I ever found that it left me no time to develop as a human being." (Quoted by Virginia Irwin, St Louis Post-Dispatch.) 15-Q

Don Juan, pretender to the Spanish throne, keeping himself in readiness for any developments in Spain: "I am preparing my soul in case God will use me as an instrument of His plans. The monarchy is to be a wall against anarchism and terrorism." 16-Q

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Dr Ernest M Ligon, psychology dep't head, Union College, Schenectady, N Y: "Human nature is not more than one-third efficient... Natural endowments of one-sixth of our high school graduates are greater than that of the great men of history."

Dr Sarah Gibson Blanding, pres Vassar College, addressing meeting of Associated Colleges: "There are



evidences that much of the idealism engendered in the war is giving way to disillusionment and pessimism. If our young people are to help lead us out of the abyss there is no room for the negative outlook and it is up to the older generation to equip young people for leadership." 18-Q

Louis Scalise, chairman of style forecast committee, Internat'l Ass'n of Clothing Designers, after predicting turn to gay colored sports clothes, bright tuxedos, brilliantly striped business suits for men: "Anything to get away from black."

ANN SHERIDAN, film actress: "Censors retouch your pictures too much. They retouch you till you look flat chested. Till you look like a mummy. I'd like them if they didn't retouch me too much. Because actually I don't look like a mummy."

MARIE BASHKIRTSEFF, quoted in Omaha World-Herald Magazine: "Almost 17, and what have I accomplished? Nothing! This thought crushes me."

Dr Gustave Emanual Zeit, health officer Berlin's city gov't, approving employment of 5 million German women as police women, carpenters, masons, etc: "It is making them physically stronger, slimmer and younger-looking. It is giving them new wiry souls as well as wiry bodies. It is giving them stronger spirits to cheer up the men." 22-Q

Geo Bernard Shaw, famed dramatist, indulging in favorite conversational pastime—ribbing U S: "The American of today has about as much idea of what is going on in the world as the village blacksmith, with the exception of Henry Wallace, who certainly ought to be the next Pres." 23-Q

ALEC TEMPLETON, noted composer and pianist, rejecting notion that "good" music has to be serious, somber: "Certainly, there is much seriousness in great music—much sublimity and compassion and heart-searching. But that is by no means the whole story. There's plenty of fun in music, too." 24-Q

HAZEL BROOKS, ex-N Y model now being groomed for stardom in Hollywood films: "I should keep my yap shut but the dress shops in this town where you pay \$500 for a gown are pretty jerky. They give you a dress that looks good in front but when you turn around you've got roses on the back of your lap."

L LORD, chairman Austin Motor Co, Birmingham, England, announcing indefinite closing down of plant due to gov't coal rationing: "We are faced with the alternative of working one day in 10 working days—which is ridiculous—or one full 5-day wk in every 70 wks." 26-Q

Pres Harry S Truman, promising veto to soldiers' bonus bills for War II veterans: "I think that our war veterans should receive all the help we can give them within reason, particularly the disabled veterans. However, I have no patience with these treasury-raiding schemes or with those who sponsor them." 27-Q

Mrs Ed B Warner, 80, Memphis, Tenn, observing 61st wedding anniv with husband, 87: "Too many of our young people meet today, marry tomorrow, and are divorced all too soon. The real love and courtship that should cement all marriages are missing, and the divorce courts are the inevitable result. Without a courtship, a marriage cannot last."

Dr CLARENCE A MILLS, Univ of Cincinnati, linking rise in earth's temperatures with upsurge of Russia in world affairs: "Long winters of benumbing cold had always held Russia back; now more nearly op-

t'mal coolness allows her energies freer flow." 29-Q

Frank Morgan, Chicago dance instructor, suggesting domestic difficulties may be smoothed in dancing: "It's impossible to be mad at anyone or anything when you're dancing."

Gen'l Jos T McNarney, European theater comdr, reporting present ETO crime rate would "compare favorably with the offense rate of most equally populated areas in the States": "The military population of the ETO is composed predominantly of males between the ages of 18 and 30... Many offenses classed as serious here would be considered minor and would not, in U S communities, be recorded as crimes."

J B S HALDANE, British geneticist: "The killing of 10% of humanity by an attack with atomic bombs might not destroy civilization. But production of abnormalities in 10% of the population by gene mutations induced by radioactivity may very easily destroy it." 32-Q

ALFRED KANTOROWITZ, German anti-Nazi, in broadcast over CBS: "The Hitler myth is dead. In thousands of discussions and conversations I listened to, his name was never mentioned. But Nazism, looking for another, more successful, leader is still alive and nourishes itself from the utter misery in which the German people live. Of 100 people who tell each other they are starving and freezing, 99 will conclude. . "aber fuehrer war es besser!" (but formerly it was better)."

Dr Geoffrey Fisher, Archbishop of Canterbury: "We are getting used to a planned society. . We cannot get along without that plan. But there is an immense danger in it if it merely means that orders are issued which people just have to put up with and obey." 34-Q

#### LUCY HITTLE, Editor



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Do You Want Your Children to Be Tolerant?—Pearl Buck, Better Homes & Gardens, 2-'47.

When one is tolerant, it means that he can only endure. We have to teach something much more constructive than a passive acceptance of the existence of other creatures. . .

The teaching of human equality so beautifully expressed in the sacred scriptures of all peoples, are not fulfilled in practice in most American communities. Your child's observing and absorbent mind hears the preacher in the pulpit, but he does not see colored mbrs in the congregation. He is taught in Sunday school to give pennies to the people of Africa and China, but no one suggests a connection between those peoples and the Negro and Chinese in his own town.

Tolerance must be taught thru everything that a child learns. It cannot be taught as a separate "subject" in the classroom. It has to pervade the school as an attitude, a lens thru which the child surveys the past and the present. It must pervade the community thru church and home.

The most valuable of all mat'ls for education in tolerance are human beings, men and women from other countries, citizens of other civilizations. Then the emotions of friendship are stirred to life. A cultivated and imaginative man from Africa, black as coal and with a sense of humor as vital as electricity, spent days with us this yr, and in our little community prejudice melted away like mist before sun. One pleasant person from another land or race coming into a community is worth a carload of books and a trainload of academic teaching. The human touch is the only way to cure prejudice and build tolerance.

#### ACCURACY-1

"Bomber" Harris, who softened up German resistance, and helped smash German war industry, could drop a blockbuster—verbal variety—very neatly on his own. A statistical report of the forecasts prepared by the meteorological dep't was handed Harris. The officer displaying it remarked proudly, "You will see, sir, that we are dead right on 46% of occasions."

"And have you realized," inq'd Harris drily, "that if you had forecast exactly the opposite thruout you would have been correct on 54%?"—IRVING HOFFMAN, Hollywood Reporter.

#### BUDGET-2

No one ever balanced a budget without first balancing his wants.—
MARCELENE COX, Ladies' Home Jnl.

#### BUSINESS-3

Business is like a battlefield and the men who win are those armed with knowledge, new ideas and superior methods.—Phoenix Mutual Library Leaf.

#### CHILDREN-Training-4

A lot of bright children should be applauded with one hand.— MUNDY SMITH, Woman's Home Companion.

#### CHURCH-Attendance-5

The man who doesn't have time to go to church is like an automobile which doesn't have time to stop for gasoline.—Western Recorder.

#### DEBT-Nat'l-6

As first of series of studies, the Committee on Public Policy last mo issued review of nat'l debt after 5 great wars. . Nat'l debt for the first time exceeds annual income representing a per capita burden of \$1,961. . Per capita burdens after past wars are as follows: \$19 after Revolutionary War; \$15 after War of 1812; \$78 after Civil War; \$240 after World War I.—Adv & Selling.

#### DRINK-Drinking-7

Oddest of all handicap matches in golf history was undoubtedly the one held in England which started in an argument at a prominent club near London. A scratch player firmly insisted that he could take a glass of whisky on each green in an 18-hole match and still beat a certain opponent who strongly urged moderation. Mors

thought the match a "natural" and hilarious wagers were made.

All went well for the first 6 holes which the drinker easily won. Then his driving became "somewhat erratic." At the twelfth hole he was still ahead. By the time they reached the 17th tee, the drinker still held a lead of one up, but disaster hit with cruel suddenness. He missed the ball completely and fell over backward on top of it. Finding he was "unable to rise," the judges solemnly declared the match "forfeited."—Fifth. Wheel, hm, Indiana Motor Truck Ass'n.

#### They DO Say . . .

In popular "Swoppers" column of Yankee magazine in Dublin, N H, one advertiser offered Harvard Classics for a shotgun! Another the complete works of Balzac for a .22 automatic pistol. "Anyway," says Counterpoints, commenting on adv, "the pen is mightier than the sword!". . . Judge unearths statistics to prove Nero couldn't have fiddled while Rome burned. The violin, it seems, was not invented until centuries later. . . Godfrey Thompson, in Eugenics Review raises cause for alarm. He reports studies show an average of 2 or 3 point decline in intelligence with each generation. . . Idea seems to be spreading: chimney sweep in Sussex, England, adopted title of "fluonomist"-charges 10¢ more per chimney!

#### EDUCATION-8

Expenditures for public elementary and secondary education dropped from 2.5% of our income in '40 to 1.5% in '44. Contrast this with the fact that some states once spent more that 4% of their annual income and note that Russia is spending at least 5%—perhaps more for their public opinion.

—ORVAL C HUSTED, "I Was Driven Out of Teaching," Nation's Business, 1-'47.

#### EGOTISM-9

Unfortunately, there isn't anything an oculist can do about I-trouble.—T HARRY THOMPSON, Sales Mgt.

#### GOD-and Man-10

A man interested in Japan showed a friend of his a Japanese metal mirror. The friend looked at



his own face in it, then remarked on the skilled workmanship, the engraved back, and the metal polished with such clearness. "But," said the owner, "that mirror was not made to see one's face in it. Take it to the window, let the sun shine on it, and note the reflection on the wall."

His friend did so, and saw, clearly outlined on the wall, the face of Guatama Buddha, who is worshipped by many Japanese. The skilled workman had hammered in the face of his god so deftly it could be detected only in the reflected sunlight.—Sunday School Chronicle.

#### **HUMBLENESS-11**

The simple fineness and sincerity which made Geo Washington so much beloved is revealed in the following story. Riding by some soldiers who were hoisting a heavy load on top of a fort, Washington thought that the load was too much for them. He asked a Cpl standing by to help them. Not recognizing his Comdr-in-Chief, the man repl'd. "Sir, I am a Cpl!"

Dismounting, Washington himself helped to put the log in place, after which he said: "Mr Cpl, when you have another such job and not enough men to do it, send for your Comdr-in-Chief and he will come and help you."—War Cry.

#### INCENTIVE-12

A new Phila adv agency, Martin Andrews, picture a hound chasing a rabbit and explain: "The hound runs for his lunch. . . the rabbit runs for his life. Bet on the rabbit!"—Tide.

#### JUVENILE DELINQUENCY—13

Since '39. . arrests of girls under 18 yrs of age have increased 198%. Arrests of boys under 18 have increased 48% for homicide, 70% for rape, 39% for robbery, 72% for assault, 55% for auto thefts, 101% for drunkenness and drunken driving. Total juvenile delinquency is up just 100% since '39.—Judge WA McCullough, Fraternal Monitor.

#### LANGUAGE-14

- "Do you love me?" he asked.
- "Natch," she repl'd.
- "Will you marry me?"
- "But def."

We feel gloomy about this couple because of an uneasy feeling that marriage based on these unlovely monosyllables is shaky. True, they save time and tonsils. But they mince, dice and shatter the language of Shake and Milt, something terrif. We are alarmed because this verbal shorthand has been going on for some time now and shows no signs of fading. We, on the other hand, do.—Jack Goodban & Fred Schwed, Jr, Cosmonolitan.

#### And you . . . ?

I planned an ultra-modern home when priorities were lifted. . . . But a Belgian woman whispered, "I have no home at

I dreamed of a country place for luxurious wk-ends. . . But a Jewish lad kept saying, "I have no country!"

I decided on a new cupboard right now. . . But a child of China cried out, "I have no

I started to purchase a new kind of washing machine. . . But a Polish woman said softly, "I have nothing to wash!"

I wanted a quick-freezing unit for storing quantities of food. . But across the waters came the cry, "I have no food!"

I ordered a new car for the pleasure of my loved ones. .

But a war orphan murmured, "I have no loved ones!"—Mayme Gainer Miller, Pomona Christian Caller. 15

#### LEADERSHIP-16

Elbert Hubbard once wrote: "If you set 10 girls at work in a room, you will find by the 3rd day that 9 of these girls are asking the 10th girl these questions:

- "'Is this all right?'
- "'Where is the thread?'
- "'What shall I do next?""

Some people become leaders. Some start things. Some originate things. Some initiate businesses, take risks, guide others, provide work.

Any economic system which discourages leaders, levels all people down to the lowest is flying in the face of Nature and is harming mankind.—Don Herold, Trained Men.

#### MARRIED LIFE-17

You can tell what a woman thinks of her husband by how proudly she Mrs him.—O A BATTISTA, Everybody's Wkly.



Churchmen the nation over have long discussed the increasing difficulties confronting mbrs who wish earnestly to attend religious services with some degree of regularity. But Philadelphia is the 1st large city to do something constructive to improve the situation. There, there is a growing movement to provide churchgoers with what Tom Bradshaw, of the Associated Press terms a "portal-to-pew" transportation service.

Fifteen churches in the Philadelphia area have charted from one to 4 buses each which make scheduled stops, pick up parishioners, bring them to church and in due course ret'n them to their homes.

Church officials declare that the transportation problem is now more pressing than ever before. Many families in outlying districts and in newer residential areas have no public transportation available. Then, there are families that have moved from old neighborhood, yet wish to continue their mbrship and attendance at the church to which they have a strong attachment. Spokesman for one of Philadelphia's oldest churches, Gloria Dei Protestant Episcopal, stresses the point that half its mbrship is now scattered thruout the city. "We are an old church," he declares, "but we are keeping up with the trends."

A Catholic priest, using the chartered buses regularly, makes a good deal of the ease and convenience which they contribute. "I recall," he says, "that St Thomas Aquinas is said to have expressed himself in this wise: 'I seem to be able to meditate and pray better when I am comfortable.'"

A Methodist minister declares that attendance has been boosted at his church by 30 to 40% in the yr that chartered buses have been in service.





AUTOMOBILE—Appliances: Display compartment, attachable to rear side of automobile visor, makes it possible to keep a road map or reminder list in constant view of driver. Map or list is held flat by transparent plastic front that also protects it from dust. (Science News Letter)

HOUSEHOLD APPLIANCES: Electrostatic cleaner, specially designed to remove dust, lint from upholstery, etc, penetrates into folds and crevices. Device has no bristles; requires no batteries, electric current or upkeep and is made of non-breakable plastic. (Canadian Business)

INVENTIONS: Automatic "theater usher," not yet on mkt, operates by means of panel board on each row of seats, with lighted seat numbers on it. As seat is occupied, light is extinguished by switch under seat. Person entering darkened theater finds seat by looking for lighted number.

LIGHTING: Electric light bulb that flares to more than twice width of ordinary bulb provides both direct and indirect lighting. Top flat end diffuses light upward thru special frosting; other light diffuses downward thru opalescent coating. (Science Service)

MEDICINE: Amazing new Japanese drug, "Koha," administered intravenously, speeds healing of severe burns, wounds, ulcers and frostbite, it is reported. Scientists claim it increases number of white corpuscles, stimulates growth of tissue. (Capper's Wkly)

PRODUCTS: "Shur-Go," mixture rock salt and small, specially treated hardwood chips mixed to tested formula, provides car traction on snow, ice. Will not stick to hands or clothes, does not deteriorate or become solid. (Shur-Go Corp'n, Rochester, N Y)

#### PEACE-18

When Pyrrhus was about to sail for Italy, Cineas, a wise and good man, asked him what were his intentions and expectations.

"To conquer Rome," said Pyrrhus.
"And after that?"

"We will subdue Carthage, Macedonia, all Africa, and all Greece."
"And when we have conquered all we can, what shall we do?"

"Do? Why, then we will sit down and spend our time in peace and comfort."

"Ah, my Lord," said the wise Cineas, "what prevents our being in peace and comfort now?"—Geo LINCOLN WALTON, From Those Nerves. (Lippincott)

#### PESSIMISM-19

The pessimist's prayer: "Give us this day our daily dread."—STRICK-LAND GILLILAN, Your Life.

#### RESEARCH-Future-20

C D Gull, research librarian for Harry Ferguson, Inc, of Detroit, has forecast this revolution in reference digging. Chemists of the future, instead of laboriously assembling heavy books off library shelves and delving thru them in search of information on a given point, will be able to put a drawerful of cards into a high-speed sorting machine and after a few sec's receive the handful out of the lot that will give them the data they seek.—Science Digest.

#### SPEECH-Speaking-21

Some people express an idea others send it by slow freight.— Howard W Newton, quoted in Advertiser's Digest.

#### SUCCESS-22

This is success: To be able to carry money without spending it. To be able to bear an injustice without retaliating. To be able to do one's duty even when one is not watched. To be able to keep at the job until it is finished. To be able to make use of criticism without letting it whip you.—Kanawha (Ia) Reporter.

#### VALUE-23

Take two coins that look exactly alike. One is genuine, the other counterfeit. How can you tell them apart? Secret Service men say: "Throw them on the table. The coin that doesn't bounce is counter-

feit. The coin that bounces is the real thing." Life tests men in the same way—by their bounce.—Wkly News Review Digest.

#### Gesture from Washington

Beneath the dome of the rotunda of Virginia's State Capitol in Richmond stands the noted marble figure of Geo Washington, by the French sculptor, Jean Houdon. Washington is portrayed in military uniform, his left arm gracefully extended as it rests on a fasces. A fasces is a bundle of rods enclosing an ax, which was borne by Roman lawyers before magistrates as a symbol of power. Authentic in detail as Houdon's figure of Washington is, this pose was inspired by no such peaceful gesture. One day while Houdon was following Washington about Mt Vernon to catch a characteristic pose, he watched him haggling with a farmer over the price of an ox. When Washington, first beating a fence post, remonstrated with the farmer for his stubborness in refusing to lower his price on the ox, Houdon hurried off to mold his figure .- Tracks, hm, C & O Ry. 24

#### VIEWPOINT-25

In misfortune, gold is dull; in happiness, iron is bright.—Herbert A Giles, A History of Chinese Literature. (D Appleton-Century)

#### WISDOM-26

A Fool sought to trap a Wise Man.

"I can ask him a question he can not answer," he told his friends. Taking a small live bird in his hands, and cupping them so as to conceal it, he said to the Wise Man, "What do I have in my hands?"

"You have a small bird, my son," for he could hear it flutter.

"Is it alive, or is it dead?" A crafty gleam came into the Fool's eyes as he asked this question. If the Wise Man said, "It is dead," he planned to open his hands and let it fly away. If he said, "It is alive," he planned to throttle the little creature and present it dead.

The Wise One said, "That, my son, is in your hands."—KVP Philosopher.



Once, as a well-known dress designer, Elizabeth Hawes dared to speak frankly about shady business in the fashion industry. Now, in her newest book, Hurry Up Please Its Time (Reynal & Hitchcock, \$2.50), she attacks the corruption of various nat'l institutions—unions and the NAM, certain political philosophies and pressure groups. After working in a defense plant during the war, Elizabeth Hawes obtained a job as an Internat'l Representative of the UAW-CIO, attached to the Education Dep't. And the book is a report of what she saw, heard, and experienced in union work.

Coming from N Y, I innocently supposed we could, shall I say, cross the line, and enjoy some fresh air along with the rich and great in Grosse Pointe. In N Y it is possible to be a mbr of the UAW-CIO and still associate with a certain number of people who have boats, butlers, excellent food and wine, and live in fine houses. I found I didn't know anyone in Grosse Pointe so I wrote to a friend in N Y to write to someone there and tell him or her to look me up.

The Grosse-Pointer turned out to be a New Yorker who was in Detroit because her husband was doing something about armaments. Her name was Dorothy Patte. She phoned and asked me to come out to dinner. . .

We were later joined for dinner by about 10 other people, including Stan, Dorothy's husband. As Dorothy was having bad maid trouble it turned out to be supper, with all of us making salad and getting out cold meat and what not.

After supper, sitting in a corner of the library couch, I suddenly found I had been quietly surrounded by the men. They had their chairs arranged in a neat semicircle around me and politely but firmly asked just what it was I did in the UAW-CIO.

Well, I said, in the Education Dep't we put out a monthly magazine, and made a movie when we could get the money, and wrote leaflets and pamphlets and fostered education dep'ts in the 800 UAW locals all over the country.

What was in the leaflets and pamphlets? Oh—stuff on how the Union worked, how to make it work—and about how the gov't worked, compensation laws and all that, and information on bills up in Congress and what should be done about them.

They were patently not getting what they wanted from me. They

kept searching around until finally I said that in my opinion unions were just a training ground for citizens to teach them how to work in a group and function in a democracy. At this they all looked so utterly derisive that I said huffily: "The hdq's of the Internat'l are very easy to get into. Most of the files are never locked. It will be quite simple for you to break in there and find out all about it. Don't take my word for anything."

"Are the files unlocked?" one of them asked.

"Yes," I said, "even the one where we have the plans for the bombs we teach 'em to make in cellars."

Nobody even smiled. I had a sudden horrible feeling it would probably appear in the papers next day: "UAW TEACHES MERS TO MAKE BOMES—Mbr of Education Dep't Admits Under Questioning."

They seemed so well satisfied with the last piece of information I thought the inquiry was over. However, part two opened almost instantaneously with a sharp question from Stan as to why I was putting propaganda in the Free Press to the effect that woman's place was not in the home.

I made my speech about how I meant the place of all women was not necessarily in the home all the time. At this juncture, the women who had quietly been listening from afar came into the conversation. They all came in on my side.

After a few min's I saw that if this cont'd, there would be murder in some Grosse Pointe bedroom that night. I rose and said I must go home.

I was as grateful to escape from Grosse Pointe that night as they were to get rid of me. In N Y I might be able to cross boundary lines. But in Detroit one chose one's side of the barricades and kept on it.



Ten Commandments of Good Will WALTER W VANKIRK

"Brotherhood—live it, believe it, support it!" said Pres Truman, endorsing Feb 16-23 as American Brotherhood Wk. If men everywhere were to live, believe and support these ten rules, the vision of brotherhood for peace could well become a reality.

I will respect all men and women regardless of their race or religion.

II
I will protect and defend my
neighbor and my neighbor's children against the ravages of racial
or religious bigotry.

III
I will exemplify in my own life
. . . goodwill and understanding.

I will challenge the philosophy of racial superiority by whomsoever proclaimed, whether they be kings, dictators or demagogues.

I will not be misled by the lying propaganda of those who seek to set race against race or nation against nation.

I will refuse to support any organization that has for its purpose the spreading of anti-Semitism, anti-Catholicism, or anti-Protestantism.

VII
I will establish comradeship with
those who seek to exalt the spirit
of love and reconciliation thruout
the world.

I will attribute to those who differ from me the same degree of sincerity that I claim for myself.

I will uphold the civil rights and religious liberties of all groups whether I agree with them or not.

I will do more than live and let live—I will live and help live.



Easy-going, indifferently educated Sam Jenkins married a school teacher, a precise, extremely erudite woman of decided opinions and it was soon evident that they would never hit it off very well together.

"I guess," commented one friend of the unfortunate Sam, "that you are overcome by your wife's powers of diction."

"Not at all, not at all," rejoined Sam. "What's got me licked is her almighty power of contradiction."—Wall St Jnl.

Legend has it that the aunt of Brillat-Savarin shared his like of good food. She died at the age of 97 as she was finishing a rich dinner in her bed.

"I feel the end approaching," she breathed, "quick, bring me my dessert, coffee and liqueur."—Montrealer.

A young, stylish woman was extremely vain of the honors conferred upon two distant male relatives. She talked on the subject to all and sundry.

"I have two relatives in the House of Lords. Have you any?"

"No," repl'd one of her acquaintances, "but I have three maiden aunts in the Kingdom of Heaven." —Capper's Wkly.



The mother is imprisoned by her little bawl and change.—Pups, hm, Genuine Parts Co, Atlanta.

MOUTH: the grocer's friend, the orator's pride, the fool's trap and the dentist's salvation.—Judge.

BREVITY: the next best thing to silence.—Cosmopolitan.

The true American who at one time stood up for his rights now has to stand in line for them.— Jobber Topics.

# GOOD STORIES

#### I LAUGHED AT THIS ONE

BILL WILLIAMS, Editor, True

The only mildly funny story I've heard this mo is about 3 drunks who staggered into a bar. One slumped onto a stool and immediately went to sleep with his head on the bar. The 2nd weaved across the room and finally came up leaning against the jukebox. The 3rd fell flat on his face with his head in the spittoon.

The bartender looked at the one standing drunk and asked, "What'll it be?"

The drunk pointed at his lst companion, whose head was on the bar. "He wants rye and soda." He pointed then to himself. "I'm takin' straight bourbon." He pointed then to the 3rd, with his head in the spittoon. "Don't give him anything," he counselled. "He's driving."

A Senator making his usual airplane flight was about to sit down on his seat when he jumped up and remarked, "Ouch, who put that tack there?"

"That was no tack," repl'd the stewardess, "we're flying low and that was the Washington Monument."—Link.

The young candidate for admission to the Navy was being given a test to determine his general education. One of the questions put to him was: "What kind of animals eat grass?" The young man fidgeted and looked out of the window, but apparently could think of no answer.

"Come, come," said the Admiral who was examining him, "surely you can answer a simple question like that: What kind of animals eat grass?"

The boy brightened up. "Animals!" he exclaimed, "I thought you said admirals."—Volta Review.

David Selznick was admiring Lionel Barrymore's sense of humor, especially his flair for hilarious comparison, and was telling about the time several yrs ago when MGM was mad at Greta Garbo because she was refusing to do a certain picture the studio had lined up for her. They were going to "punish" Garbo by having her play a lead opposite Tim McCoy in a glorified western. Commented Lionel, "That's like shaving off Tolstoy's beard so he won't be able to write any more revolutionary novels."-EDITH GWYNN, Hollywood Reporter.

Washington has become so completely initialized that any combination of three letters, no matter how familiar, is taken to refer to a Gov't agency.

An army officer reading an order ran across the phrase: "All personnel will pay strict att'n to orders concerning dress, deportment, conduct, etc."

Since all of the directives are capitalized, he wrinkled his forehead in perplexity for a moment, then said to his assistant:

"I thought I knew all the agencies, but here is one I don't understand. What is this ETC?"—Friendly Handshake.

An American film producer was selecting a chief for his scenario staff. The producer insisted that the successful applicant must be a college graduate. He looked with favor upon one applicant, and asked if he had had a college education. The answer was in the affirmative.

"Show me your diploma," demanded the producer.

The applicant tried to explain that it was not customary for college graduates to carry diplomas around with them.

"Well, then," demanded the producer, "say me a big word."—Financial Post.



